

THE ROTESTANT ALMANACK

For the 1st YEAR

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BEING

The BISSEXTILE or LEAP-YEAR.

WHEREIN

The Bloody Aspects, Fatal Oppositions, and Perni-
cious Conjunctions of the *Papacy*, against the Lord
Christ and the Lords Anointed are described.

In the Change of the *Moon*, the Rising and Setting of the
Sun, some observable Fairs, and the Eclipses; to which is now
added the Moons place in the Zodiac, throughout each Month
of the year.

calculated according to Art, for the Meridian of *Babylon*, where
the Pope is elevated a hundred and two Degrees above all
Reason, Right, and Religion; above Kings, Canons, Coun-
cils, Conscience, and every thing therein called God, *2 Thes. 2.*
And may without sensible error, indifferently serve the whole
Papacy.

By *Philoproteft*, a Well-willer to the Mathematicks.

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THE Modern Romans may well be compared to the Ancient Romans in divers respects, but especially in their Ambition and Tyranny: for as the Ancient Romans after the Conquest of their Neighbours, were not contented, but still thirsting after more, never ceased till they had made a Conquest of the then known world, and set up to themselves the fourth Manarchy. So the Ambitious Bishops of Rome, not contented with the jurisdiction of their own Country, never ceased (although by Pride, Avarice and Cruelty) untill they had arrogated to themselves the title of Universal Bishop or Head of the Church; But herein they exceeded the Ancient Romans, for as they only Tyrannized over men's bodies, they claim a Priviledge over their Souls too; being as they term themselves So. Peters Successors, though their life and Doctrine be so different from his; yet so much they work upon the consciences of men in the days of ignorance, that what the Pope commands is obeyed as if St. Peter had commanded it himself, and that not only of the vulgar people, but also of Kings and Princes: such indeed they stood in of St. Peter, that in the time of the Saxon Heptarchy, when that great controversy was betwixt the Britains and Saxons about the Celebration of Easter, the Britains alledging for their Tenent the example of St. John the Evangelist, the Saxons the example of St. Peter; Oswy King of Northumberland being present at the Debate, he thus concluded, For so much as St. Peter is the door-keeper of heaven, I will not gainsay him, but in that I am able, will obey his orders in every point, lest when I come to the Gates of Heaven he shut them against me. And on this day the Popes rely so much upon this Fancy, of being the direct Heirs of St. Peter, and all his prebeminences, that all things which they say or do, must be entituled so St. Peter. Their Throne must be St. Peters Chair, their Church, St. Peters Shop, their Lands, St. Peters Patrimony, their tributes and exactions must be called Peter-pence, their Excommunications fulminated in St. Peters name: and all their Bulls and Faculties sealed with the Picture of St. Peters Signet. Nay they went so far as the last Pope Sixtus not being contented to be Peters Successor, did call upon him in plain terms so be Peter himself. For being dis-

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pressed by Astolphus King of the Lombards, he sends for aid unto King Pepin in this following stile. Petrus Apostolus Jesu Christi be a. Peter the Apostle of Jesus Christ to you the most illustrious King Pepin, and to all Bishops, Abbots, &c. the Apostle Peter, whose adopted sons you are, admonish you that you presently come and defend this City, &c. And doubt you not but trust assuredly, that I myself as if I stood before ye, do thus exhorte ye, &c. And that I Peter the Apostle of God, will on the last day yield you mutual kindnesses, and prepare you Tabernacles in the Heavens. Now as for the Popes arrogating it themselves the Title of St. Peters Successour, take this following story, which though to some zealous Papists it may seem ridiculous, yet I suppose it may be as true as some in their Legends there was a Pope, who being dead, it is said that he came to Heaven Gate and knocked; Saint Peter (being within the Gate) asked who was there? The Pope answered, Brother, it is I, I am the last Pope deceased; St. Peter said, If thou be the Pope, thou having the keys may'st unlock the Gate and enter? The Pope replied, saying, That his Predecessors indeed had the Keys, but since that time the wards were alter'd.

But to return where we left, for the manner how they came to this proud and arrogant Title of Universal Bishop, or Head of the Church; you must know, that it was by others claimed as well as them; namely in the time of Mauritius the Emperor, when the Bishop of Constantinople so far prevailed with that Emperor, that by his permission he took upon him the Title of Universal Patriarch, or Head Bishop. Gregory the Great (of whom it is said that he was the worst Bishop of all that went before him, and the best of all that came after him) was at that time Bishop of Rome, who sharply inveighed against the Emperor, as the Patriarch of Constantinople, for this Title; and plainly maintained, that whosoever called himself Universal Bishop, was the first runner of Antichrist.

But Boniface who next but one succeeded Gregory, being not of so scrupulous a Conscience, but one who to satisfy his Ambition, would assent with the checks of that: applied himself to Phocas that bloody Tyrant: who having murdered the Emperor Mauritius, his Wife and Children, and thereby got the general hatred of all the good Subjects of the Empire, she better to assure him-

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Self of Italy, which he feared was ready to revolt, declared this Boniface (like Emperor like Pope) to be the Oecumenical Bishop, and Head of the Church. To such a good beginning, (such one) and so gracious a Patron, do the Popes stand indebted for the Power, and Empire which now they challenge to themselves over all the Church.

Then in the second place for their Tyranny, I suppose they came never ambis behind the Ancient Romans. For though the 10 famous persecutions were very bloody, especially the last under the Emperor Dioclesian, in which (as St. Hierome writeth in one of his Epistles) there were Martyred 5000 for each day in the year, except the first of January, on which they used not to shed blood; yet was there several intervals betwixt them, in which none suffered for Conscience sake. But for our modern Romans, though so many suffered not in a day, (which should it have been, in so long a time of their Papal sway they would have emptied the world of people) we know their persecutions are without ceasing where they have power to act the same. And for the exactness of their torments, I suppose nothing inferiour to them. For what else makes them so affraid of the Inquisition, that the attempting of bringing it into Aragon and Naples, made the people thereof for to rebel, although they were then all of the Papal side, yea so great is the Tyranny thereof accounted, that many Papists who would willingly die for their Religion, abhor the very name and mention of it. Concerning the terrour thereof, there is a story, how in Spain one of their Lordships (for such are the Inquisitors, or Masters of the Inquisition called) having a desire to eat of the Pears which grew in a Poor mans Orchard not far off, sent for the man to come unto him; which put the Poor man into such a fright, that he fell sick upon it, and kept his Bed. Being afterwards informed, that all his Lordships business with him, was to request a dish of his Pears; he pulled the Tree up by the roots, and carried it unto him with the Fruit upon it. And when he was demanded the reason of that rash and improvident action, he returned this answer, That he would never keep that thing in his possession, which should give any of their Lordships occasion to send further after him.

And then for their Cruelty exercised in England, we have a tale thereof in the first five years Reign of Queen Mary, where-

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in about the number of 200 were burnt to death for the cause of Religion. And in so short a time, and also such a Queens time who of her self was of no cruel nature, if not misled; so many people came to be Martyrs; how many may be expected might have suffered, had it been in the long Reign of a cruel natur'd Prince.

But in nothing are the Ancient and Modern Romans more alike than in their superstitions, having several Gods and Saints to pray to for their several wants. Thus the Ancient Roman pray'd to Pomona for the increase of their Fruit, to Ceres for Corn and Grain, to Silvanus for Wild-fowle, to Bacchus for Wine, to Neptune for Fish, to Mars for the success of Wars and Captaivty, to Apollo for Physick and Musick, to Saturn for labourers and workmen in Husbandry, to Pallas for Valour, to Minerva for Wisdom, to Jupiter for men of State and Power, to Juno for pomp and Jewels, to Venus for Beauty and lascivious Pleasure, to Luna for Calmness and Fair-weather, to Pluto for Riches, to Mercury for Learning and Eloquence, to Flora for Flowers, to Proteus for Disguises, to Lucina for women with Child, to Faunus for Goats and Venison &c.

*But these were not so Frantick in their invocations, but if we look into the Lying Legend of Golden Gullery, we shall find the poor seduced Modern Romanists to imitate all the idolatrous For-
mication of the Heathen, Pagans and Infidels, and that they put their He and She Saints to far more base and ignominious offices, than these unbelievers of former Ages did dare to put upon (their vain imaginary) Gods; as they make St. Crispin a Shoemaker, and St. Roch the Patron of Sowters and Coblers, they put St. Wendelin to keep sheep, and they make St. Pelage a Cowherd or Goat-herd, St. Anthony hath the protection of their swine, St. Vitus or Vitellus, alias St. Calf, excelling for the cure of those that are bitten of a spider called Tarrantula, or Phallanx. They acknowledge St. Gertrude for an excellent Rat-catcher, and St. Hubert for a good Dog-keeper. The Smiths they must pray to St. Eloye, the Painters to St. Luke, the Bakers must invoke St. Honore, the Mariners St. Nicholas, St. Yve, is for the Lawyers, and St. Ann to find things that are lost or stoln. Other Saints too have their severall Offices, as St. Valentine is for the curing of the Falling-sickness, St. Roch for scabs and scurfs, St. Sebastian*

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for the Plague, St. Eutrope the Dropsie, St. Genou the Gout, St. Petrovella the Ague, St. Apollonia the Tooth-ach, St. Romane they say dispossesseth Devils, though I should think a Glister of Holy Water would better drive him out. And last of all St. Marurine is the Mad mens St. to cure the Frenzy. Certainly Physicians and Chyrurgions ha've but little work where all these skilful Saints are so employed, except now and then they get a Patient by chance, when the good St. is over-busied or not at leisure.

Thus Fryers teach people how the Saints relieve them,
And they like ignorant Dolt-heads do believe them.

But the greatest contention amongst them is, to what Saint they shal commit the keeping of their Geese, some wil have St. Audoch, some St. Gallicer, and some St. Feriall; the busines is very weighty, and requires the advice of a whole Conclawe of Cardinals to decide it: some there are that would deprive St. Wendelin before named, of his Keeping Sheep, and bestow the place upon St. Woolf, which (in my opinion) is a very unsuitable name for a Shepherd.

Thus you see about what serious trifles these idle Monks and Fryers do busie themselves, to keep the people in a sottish ignorance; as the Druids did by the Ancient Britains; or rather as the Priests of Bell and the Dragon did by the people; which Idol got them, their Wives and children their maintenance; as the like fictitious, and Legendary fables, do these lousey, lasie Fryers, who living on the sweat of other mens labours, like Drones in a Hive, have thereby brought themselves unto contempt, even of those of their own perswasion; insomuch as Sir Thomas Moor who in the Paper cause lost his Head, sticketh not to call them in his Utopia, Erronnes maximi; and that they were to be comprehended under the Statutes made against vagabonds and sturdy beggerds. Dear Country-men thus you see the Romish Church in part Anatomized. Let us keep Obedient to our God, Loyal to our King, and loving one to another, and let us not doubt but our gracious God will Protect and Defend us, from the Cruelties and Fopperies of that Antichristian crew.

Farewell.

Philoproteft.

Of the Eclipses this present year.

1680.

TWICE this year will the *Sun* be Eclipsed, but the *Moon* not at all. The Priests of *Cybele* will be glad the *Moon* escapes so well; they may thereby save their Kettles and Pans by the bargain. If the *Sun* had not been Eclipsed neither, we had been in a sad case, for no body would have bought our Almanacks; An Almanack without an Eclipse being like a *Bag-pudding* without Suet. But to the purpose.

Of the first Eclipse of the Sun.

It happens on *March* the 20th. at our 10 of the Clock in the Forenoon, in 11 Degrees of *Aries*, and where it is most conspicuous will appear a very dreadful, terrible, and formidable Eclipse. But you need not to fetch home your Cattel as upon *Black-Monday*; for it will be very little visible with us, but to such as inhabit the South parts of *America*, the *Holy Island*, the Cape of *St. Vincents* &c. it will appear very great, but I think most of us will have more wit than to go thither to behold it, unless it be the *Jesuits*, who upon their Oath of Obedience, will travel Sea and Land to make a *Profelyte*, and when he is made, they make him two-fold more the Child of Hell than themselves. Matth. 23. 15.

Of the second Eclipse of the Sun.

Upon the 12th. day of *September*, at our 8 a Clock of night, the *Sun* is Eclipsed, and may be seen by those whom Curiosity, Profit, or other Affairs, causes to Navigate near the Port of *St. Peter*, the *Island Pavaro* &c. For our Parts, it will then be past *Sun* set a pretty while in *England*, and so we are not concerned in it. Onely we must tell you it does foretell many to be *Faints Fac'd*, pretending one thing, and acting another; promising in exigents to perform much, but in conclusion doing nothing.

*The Devil was sick, the Devil a Monk would be,
The Devil was well, the Devil a Monk was he.*

January

January hath xxxi Days.

Full Moon 5 day at 11 at night.

Last Quarter 13 day at 8 at night.

New Moon 21 day at 1 in the afternoon.

First Quarter 28 day at 10 in the forenoon.

12	New-years day	neck	In the beginning of this Month the
2b	Sun rise at 8	arms	Papists digg'd up <i>John Wicliff's</i> bones,
3c	Sun set 3	arms	40 years after his death and burnt them
4d	4 after Chr.	breast	that he whom they could not confute in
5e	Sun rise 8	breast	his life, they would confound after his
6f	Twelfth day	heart	death. Far worser usage had, <i>W. War-</i>
7g	Banb. and Lut-	and	<i>Sten. Kemp, W. Bowling, W. Lowich,</i>
8a	terworth F.	back	all six burnt in one fire at Cant. Mr. <i>J.</i>
9b	Sun rise 7	bowels	<i>Philpot</i> , Archd. mart. after he had been
10c	Sun set 4	belly	12 times baited by the <i>Ramish</i> Blood-
11d	1 after Epiph.	reins	hounds, sealed the truth with his blood.
12e	Hinckley F.	and	Jan. 16. 1557. <i>T. Wittle</i> Minist. <i>Bart.</i>
13f	Melton Mow-	loins	<i>Green</i> Gent. <i>J. Taylor, T. Went, T. Brown,</i>
14g	bray Fair	secrets	<i>Isab. Forster</i> , and <i>Joan Laskford</i> , all
15a	Sun set 4	secrets	burnt in one fire in <i>Smithfield</i> . <i>John</i>
16b	Sun rise 7	thighs	<i>Lomas, Ann Albright, Joan Catmore,</i>
17c	Sun set 4	thighs	<i>Agnes Snoth</i> , and <i>Joan Soal</i> , all burnt
18d	2 after Epiph.	knees	in one fire for the truth. Jan. 27. 1556.
19e	Sun rise 7	and	Towards the latter end of the Month,
20f	Sun rise 7	hams	suffered for the truth, <i>Will. Sawtry</i>
21g	Sun set 4	legs	Priest, <i>John Brown</i> Gent. who in <i>Piercy</i>
22a	Sun set 4	legs	<i>Chariots</i> had their souls carried up
23b	Term begins	feet	to the eternal Mansions, there to re-
24c	Fair at Henley	feet	ceive the Crown of Martyrdom. Di-
25d	Con. of St. Paul	head	vers others also suffered this Month.
26e	Sun rise 7	head	So that you see here was hot doings
27f	Sun set 4	neck	this Cold weather, nothing quench-
28g	Sun rise 7	neck	ing the Popes Ambitious Thirst; but
29a	Sun set 4	arms	only full Bowls of warm Protestants
30b	K. C. 1 Mar.	arms	blood.
31c	Sun rise 7	breast	

1. *The Rood*, this was an image of Christ on the Cross, made generally of wood, and erected in a Loft for that purpose, just over the passage out of the Church into the Chancel. And wot you what Spiritual mystery was couched in the Position thereof? The Church (forsooth) Typeified the *Church-militant*, the Chancel represents the *Church-Triumphant*; and all who will pass out of the former into the latter, must go under the *Rood-loft*; that is carry the Cross, and be acquainted with affliction. O mysterious deep Divinity!

2. *The Pax*, was a piece of wood or mettall with Christs Picture thereon, and was solemnly tendred to all people to kiss, in imitation of the Apostles words, 1 Cor. 16 20. *Greet one another with an holy kiss*, which to prevent wantoness of men and women kissing one another, was done by the Proxie of the Pax. But though our shaven Crowns would not kiss women openly, they could do it privately to some purpose, as Chaucer saith in the Plough-mans Tale.

Mens Wives they woollen hold,
And though that they been right sorry,
To speak they shull not be so bold
For sompning to the Consistory:
And make hem say mouth I lie
Though they it saw with her iye,
His Leman holden openly
No man so hardy to ask why.

3. *Censers*, Pots in which *Frankincense* was burned, perfuming the Church during Divine Service, because it stunk of Superstition.

4. *Albes* or *Albes*, were Priests Garments of white linnen down to their feet, girded about their middle. The *thin matter* denoted simplicity; colour, purity, length (deep Divinity) perseverance and the tincture thereof signified, the person wearing it prompt and prepared for Gods service. Query. Whether here were not more outward Holiness than inward?

5. A *Chrismatory*, was a vessel in which the Consecrated Oyl, used in Baptism, Confirmation, and extreame unction, was deposited.

6. *Pix* was a Box wherein the Host, or Consecrated Water, was put and preserved.

February hath xxix Days.

Full Moon 4 day at two in the afternoon

Last Quarter 12 at 5 at night

New Moon 20 day at 1 in the morning.

First Quarter 26 day at 6 at night.

14D	4 after Epiph.	breast	In this month was the Papists cruel
2c	Purif. of Mary.	breast	ty exercised upon many Godly Mar
3f	Sun rise 7 12	heart	tyrs, of whom the chief were, John
4g	2 day F. at Lin.	heart	Hooper Bishop of Gloucester, R. Fox
5a	Sun set 4 52	bowels	Bishop of J. Rogers, Rowland
6b	Stafford Fair	belly	Taylor, L. Sand. these were Captains in
7c	Sun rise 7 4	reins	this noble Army of Martyrs, which suf
8D	Septuagesima	and	fered in the Marian days. Sir J. Old
9e	Sun set 5 0	loins	Lord Cobham, mart. Sir R. Onley, Prie
10f	Sun rise 6 38	secrets	mart. Mart. Luther Confessor, whose
11g	Sun set 5 4	secrets	pen hath so fully describ'd the Beast, tha
12a	Term ends	thighs	the man of sin hath been ever since the
13b	Sun rise 6 32	and	more fully known. Jo. Chaldon, mart
14c	Valentine	knees	R. Turmine, mart. R. H. mart. T. Bag
15D	Sexagesima	knees	Priest mart. These fell a Sacrifice to ap
16e	Oundle Fair	knees	pease the Hellish fury of the Triple
17f	Sun set 5 16	legs	Crown. Mother of the Lady Young
18g	Sun rise 6 42	legs	mart. T. N. mart. T. E. mart. T. B. mart
19a	Sun set 5 20	feet	Pope of Eay mart. not the Pope of Rome,
20b	Sun rise 6 38	feet	it was his power that made the other
21c	Sun set 5 24	head	mart G. Carp. mart. Ag. Posten, mart
22D	Shrove-sunday	head	Trenchfields Wife, mart. besides W. T.
23e	Newc. under L.	neck	Priest, and E. C. Gentlew. Confessors,
24f	Shrove-Tusf.	neck	These would not bow the knee to Baal
25g	St. Mathias	arms	These refused to bear the yoke of the
26a	Stanf. Horse F.	and	Romish Beast, which the gentle Pope
27b	24 at Baldoc	shoul.	had no other ways to reform but by
28c	Sun rise 6 21	breast	Fire and Faggot; powerfull Rhetorick
29D	1 Sun. in Lent	breast	to carnal minded men, but to a resolute
			godly spirit of no validity at all.

Popish Whoredoms.

1. *John* the 12th Pope of that name, was taken in the Act of Adultery, and slain by the Husband of the woman.

2. Innocent 8 was very fruitfull in his Nephews, for by that name do the Popes call their Bastards, of him it is thus wrot.

Eight Lads, and twice 4 Girles *Nocens* got,

Then might not *Rome* him Father term? why not?

Of one of these Pope Innocents, it is thus written,

Pope Innocent the chief of all the Rout,

Answered his name, but how? if *In* were out.

3. Pope *John* the 23 committed Incest with his Brothers-wife, defiled Nuns, acted whoredom with Virgins, and Adultery with mens Wives.

4. Pope *Joan* was delivered of a Bastard, as she was going to the *Lateran*, between *Collosses* and *St. Clements*, proving her self both in a Litteral and Mistical sence to be the *Whore of Babylon*.

5. *Nicholas* the first, was the first, who by Law restrained Priests by Marriage, saying, *That it was more honest to have to do with many women privately, than openly to keep a wife*; which Doctrine is so magnified by some of his Successors, that a Priest of *Placentia*, being accused to have Wife and Children, was deprived of his *Benefice*: but upon proof made that she was the wife of another man; and his *Strumpet* only, he was again restored unto it.

6. Pope *Nicholas* the III. was used to say, *The Law forbids us to get Children, and the Devil hath given us Nephews in their stead.*

7. *Alexander* VI. carnally used his own daughter *Leucretia*, the wife to 3 Princes, upon whom was made this following Epitaph.

Lucrece by name here lies, but *Thais* in life,

Pope *Alexanders* Child, Spouse, and sons Wife.

And must a *Sextus* *Lucrece* always ravish,

Curst name! but here's the Father, that's most knavish;

Tarquinius, *Nero*, this a *Sextus* too!

Sextus was ever born *Rome* to undo.

This Pope *Alexander* gave himself to the Devil, who at length fetch'd him, being Poyson'd with the same cup he had provided for his invited Cardinals.

March hath xxxi Days.

Full Moon the 5 day at 6 in the morning
 Last Quarter 13 day at a 11 in the forenoon
 New Moon the 20 day at 10 in the forenoon
 First Quarter 27 day at 2 in the morning.

1 ^d	Cherley Fair	heart	This Month produced these martyrs
2 ^e	Bedford Fair	heart	Dr. <i>J. Weselianus</i> Anno 1479. <i>Will.</i>
3 ^f	Sun rise 6 15	bowels	<i>Taylor</i> , March 2. 1422. <i>Hen. Stephen</i>
4 ^g	Bidford Oak.	and	Anno 1490. <i>J. Houghley</i> Anno 1526
5 ^a	Sun set 5 49	belly	<i>Adolphus Clabachius</i> , An. 1528. <i>T. B.</i>
6 ^b	Sun rise 6 9	reins	An. 1531. <i>David Foster</i> , <i>Valen. Freese</i> ,
7 ^c	2 Sun. in Lent	reins	and his wife martyrs, <i>R. W.</i> An. 1555.
8 ^d	Sun set 5 56	secrets	<i>Tho. Higbed</i> Gent. <i>T. Comston</i> , <i>W. Hunt</i>
9 ^e	Sun rise 6 2	secrets	the same day An. 1555. <i>Stephen Knight</i> .
10 ^f	D. & N. equal	secrets	March 28, Anno 1555. These persons
11 ^g	Sun set 6 2	thighs	sealed the Truth with their dearest
12 ^a	Wobourn Fair	thighs	blood, and undantiedly persevered in
13 ^b	Sun rise 5 53	knees	their faith, not fearing the Torture of
14 ^c	3 Sun. in Lent	and	fire and faggot. In the next place we
15 ^d	Stam. Horse F.	hams	have that Reverend mart. <i>T. Crammer</i>
16 ^e	Sun set 6 13	legs	ArchBishop of C. The Protestant <i>Sevo-</i>
17 ^f	Sun rise 5 45	legs	<i>la</i> , who to shew his indignation against
18 ^g	Sturbridge	feet	himself for subscribing a recantation,
19 ^a	Sun set 6 19	feet	burnt off his right hand first, which had
20 ^b	20 day Alisb.	head	betray'd the truth, and then sealed the
21 ^c	Midlent Sun.	head	truth with his whole body. March 21
22 ^d	Stam. F. Midl.	neck	1556. To these we may adjoyn. <i>R. S.</i>
23 ^e	Sun rise 5 33	neck	martyr'd March 24 1556. <i>Will. Cober-</i>
24 ^f	25 day St. Al.	arms	<i>ley</i> , and one <i>Maunder</i> the same day.
25 ^g	Annun. of M.	arms	<i>R. Crusefield</i> March 15 1557. <i>Cuth.</i>
26 ^a	25 day North.	breast	<i>Simson</i> , <i>Hugh Fox</i> , and <i>John Devonish</i> .
27 ^b	Sun set 6 36	breast	three eminent Martyrs March 28 An.
28 ^c	Passion Sunday	heart	1558. <i>Sanguis Martyrum Semen in</i>
29 ^d	Sun rise 5 20	heart	<i>Ecclesia.</i>
30 ^e	Sun set 6 42	bowels	
31 ^f	Maimsbury F.	belly	

Popish Miracles.

1. Saint Runnald or Rummald, as soon as ever he came out of his Mothers-Womb, he cryed three times, *I am a Christian*. Then making a plain Confession of his Faith, he desired to be Baptized, chose his Godfathers, and appointed his own name. He also by his fingers directed the standers by to fetch him a great hollow stone for a Font, which sundry of his Fathers servants essayed in vain as much above their strength. Till the two Priests (his designed Godfathers) did go and fetch it easily at his appointment. Being Baptized, He for 3 days discoursed of the Common plagues of Popery, and having confirmed their truth, he bequearhed his Body where it should be buried, and then expired. Thus crafty Monks invented lies, and the credulous people they believed them.

2. Platina reporteth, that Pope Formosus, being by his successor Sergius the third taken out of his Grave, and his Body cast into the River Tyber, that some Fishermen finding the same, interred it in St. Peters Church, at which time the Images of the Saints there did it Reverence. Were not these kind Images think ye, that would as well worship, as be worshipped.

3. Saint Edmond King of the East-Angles, was cruelly murdered by the invading Danes, and when the Christians seeking his Corps, were lost in a wood, did call one to another Where art? Where art? Where art? The Martyr'd head answered, Here, here, here. Thus impudent Monks by their ridiculous stories, have much eclipsed the glory of this Pious King and Martyr.

4. St. Dunstan entring one day into a Gentlewomans house, hung his Harp upon the wall whilest he shap'd a Priests stool, when to make him merry at his work, his Harp of it self began to play a Hymn, *Gaudet in celis anima sanctorum &c.* When instruments thus begin to play alone, twill quickly spoil the Fidlers Trade.

5. When Winifred had her Head cut off by Cradocus son to Alan King of North-Wales, for not yielding to his unlawfull lust, Beho her Instrueter Miraculously set it on again, and she lived fifteen years after. Reader if thou wilt not believe this, thou wilt not believe that the Sun shines at midnight, and that men eat and drink in the bottom of the Sea.

April hath xxx Days.

Full Moon the 3 day at 11 at night
 Last Quarter 11 day at midnight
 New Moon the 18 day at 7 at night
 First Quarter 25 day at 1 in the afternoon.

1g	Sun rise 5 14	bowels	This Month these holy men sealed the
2a	Hitchin Fair	reins	truth with their blood. viz. Robert
2b	Leicester Fair	reins	Hatchkes, Tho. Bound, Wrigsham Loup
3c	Palm-Sunday	secrets	Jale and Mrs. Smith, April 4. 1519.
4d	Sun set 6 54	secrets	More eminent was the Martyrdom of
5e	Sun rise 5 4	secrets	G. M. burnt at Westchester An. 1556.
6f	Darby Fair	thighs	in as barbarous a manner as cruelty
7g	Ketering Fair	thighs	could invent, having a Firkin of Pitch
8a	Good-Friday	knees	Rosin, and Tar, placed over his head
9b	Sun set 7 4	knees	which melting down basted him, whilst
10c	Easter Day	knees	the fire beneath Roasted him, such cun-
11d	Easter Monday	legs	ning Cooks were the Popes Ennifaries,
12e	Easter Tuesday	legs	to make a restorative dish for a languish-
13f	Welling, Fair	feet	ing Religion The same day suffered W.
14g	Sun rise 4 47	feet	Flower, min. nay the whole Month was
15a	Darby Fair	head	besprinkled with the blood of Saints,
16b	Sun set 7 17	head	R. Drake min. T. Tyms, R. Spurge, T.
17c	Low-Sunday	neck	Spurge, J. Cavil, G. Ambrose, mart.
18d	Bicklesworth F.	neck	in Smithfield April 24. 1556. you see
19e	Sun rise 4 38	arms	the Pope scorns to murder by retail,
20f	Sun set 7 24	arms	Chr. Lister, min. Jo. Spenser, Sim. Joynt
21g	Stafford Fair	breast	R. Nichol, Jo. Hamond, all martyr'd at
22a	Sun rise 4 32	breast	Colchester April 28. 1556. The Pope
23b	Sun set 7 30	heart	now might swim in blood, Tho. Lasely,
24c	St. Mark	and	Hen. Ramsey, Tho. Thirtle, Margaret
25d	Sun rise 4 27	back	Hide, Agnes Stanley, all burnt in one
26e	Sun set 7 35	bowels	fire in Smithfield, Bloody Bonners
27f	Term begins	bowels	slaughter-house, Will. Nichol, mart.
28g	Sun rise 4 22	reins	An. 1557. The mercies of the wicked
29a	Sun set 7 40	reins	are Cruelties.

Popish Miracles of Thomas Becket.

1. *Thomas Becket* being Arch-Bishop of *Canterbury*, whilst he lay at his house at *Osford* in *Kent*, whereof some part is yet remaining, 'tis said that it wanted a fit Spring to water it, whereupon to save them the labour of fetching it a great way off, he strake his staff into the dry ground (in a place thereof at this day called *St. Thomas Well*) and that immediately water appeared, the which running plentifully, serveth the Offices of the new House at this present time. *Certainly this water must needs be good to wash Cloathes withall, it being a perfect Lye.*

2. At another time as he walked in the old Park, (busie at his prayers) he was much hindred in his devotion, by the sweet note and melody of a Nightingale, that sang in a Bush besides him, therefore he (in the might of his Holiness) injoynd that from thenceforth no bird of that kind, should be so bold as to sing thereabouts. *Query, Whether he forbad the Cuckow, because they came much about one time.*

3. A Smith also in that Town, had prickt his Horse in the shooing, wherefore he Enacted by like Authority, that after that time no Smith should thrive within the Parish. *And now ye jolly Tribe of Vulcans, ye may perceive by this how ye came to be such Puddlecap.*

4. *Becket* one day lying at a certain Town in *Kent*, certain fellows cut off his Horses Tail, after which fact, all their Children were born with Tails like Horses, and that this continued long in their Posterity. *Some Tales have neither head nor tail in them, thus though it hath no Head, hath Tail enough in it to choke any mans belief that shall read it.*

5. One *Ailwardus*, who for stealing a great Whetstone, being deprived of his eyes and virilities, by sentence of Law, upon prayer to *St. Thomas*, he had all restored again. *Reader, had you rather believe this story, than believe that he deserved the Whetstone that wrote it.*

6. A Bird who had been taught to speak, flying one day out of her Cage, and being ready to be seized on by a Sparrow-hawk, she only said, *St. Thomas* help me, and her enemy fell presently dead, and she escaped, and (belike) reported it to him that wrote it, or else we may believe that the Story lies.

Bad is that same Religion which is founded
On such vain lies that on no sense is grounded.

May hath xxxi Days.

Full Moon the 3 day at 4 in the afternoon
 Last Quarter the 11 day at 11 in the forenoon
 New Moon the 18 day at 2 in the morning
 First Quarter the 25 day at 2 in the morning.

1b	Phil. & Jacob	reins	In this Month that excellent man
2c	3 after Easter	secrets	John Huss was martir'd, Anno 1413.
3d	Elstow Fair	secrets	notwithstanding he had Letters of safe
4e	Sun rise 4 14	hips	conduct from the Emperor Sigismund
5f	Sun set 7 46	and	blame we not then the Turks for breach
6g	Almsbury Fair	thighs	of Faith, when Christian Princes will
7a	Sun rise 4 10	knees	violate theirs; this Glorious Martyr
8b	Sun set 7 52	knees	suffered at Constance for the Testimony
9c	4 after Easter	legs	of Jesus Christ. Hugh Lavercock, John
10d	Maidston Ash.	legs	Ap-price mart. May 15 1555. K. M.
11e	Sun rise 4 4	feet	Eliz. Thacknel, Joan Horns, mart. no
12f	11 day Dun. F.	feet	Sex as well as Age; could mitigate the
13g	Sun set 7 54	feet	Popes malice. Blush you that hold
14a	Sun rise at 4	head	women have no Souls, since these three
15b	Sun set 8 1	head	Female Martyrs in fiery flames, their
16c	Rogation Sun.	neck	souls did magnifie the Lord their Sa-
17d	Sun rise 3 57	neck	viour. A blind Boy and another with
18e	Sun set 8 4	arms	him martir'd May 5 1556. His Holi-
19f	Sun rise 3 55	arms	ness will play at small Games rather
20g	Ascension day	breast	than sit out for a wrangler. Tho. Spicer,
21a	Ruthin Fair	breast	John Denny, Will. Pool, mart. Robert
22b	Sun set 7 9	heart	King, Robert Debnam, Nichol. March,
23c	6 after Easter	heart	John Cardmaker alias Taylor, mart.
24d	Term ends	bowels	May 31 1555.
25e	Blackburn F.	belly	With a Triumphant patience they
26f	Sun rise 3 47	reins	For Christ his cause their lives down lay
27g	Sun set 8 14	and	Whose heads in heaven shall wreathed be
28a	Sun rise 3 45	loins	With Crowns of immortality.
29b	N. R. K. C. 2.	secrets	
30c	Whitsunday	secrets	
31d	Owndle Fair	thighs	

Popish Invocations.

1. The Lance and Nails that tormented our Blessed Saviour, are esteemed by them as most incomparable Reliques, being graced with a Holyday and this Elegy.

<p><i>Ave ferrum triumphale,</i> <i>Intrans pectus tu vitale,</i> <i>Celi pandis ostia,</i> Hail Iron triumphal, Piercing a breast vital, That opens heavens gate,</p>	<p><i>Faecundata in cruore,</i> <i>Felix hasta, nos amore,</i> <i>Per te fixos saucia.</i> Blessed Spear steeped in blood, With love make us all wood The Hereticks to hate.</p>
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2. Of this *Thomas Becket* likewise whom we mentioned before, was made this Anthem.

Tu per Thomae sanguinem quem pro te impendit,
Fac nos Christe scandere quo Thomas ascendit.
 For the blood of *Thomas* which he for thee did spend,
 Grant us Christ to climb where *Thomas* did ascend
 But notwithstanding this Anthem, if it be true what *Rogerius* the *Norman* publickly avowed (when the question was debated amongst the Doctors of the University of *Paris*, whether *Thomas* were saved or damned) That he deserved death and damnation for his contumacy against his King the Minister of God, what an excellent Saint do these blind Papists pray unto.

3. How do they invoke the Virgin *Mary*, calling her the Queen of Heaven, the Gate of Paradise, their life and sweetest, the Treasurer of Grace, the refuge of Sinners, and the Mediatix of Men: thus praying unto her,

<p><i>O salix puerpera,</i> <i>Nostra pians scelera,</i> <i>Jure matris impera</i> <i>Redemptori: that is,</i></p>	<p>O happy Mother Satisfying for our sins, By thy Motherly authority Command the Redeemer.</p>
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Thus *Papery* is propped up by Policy to hoodwink the Vulgar, making them believe that Ignorance is the mother of Devotion; when as indeed the Blind thus leading the Blind, they do at last fall both into the ditch.

June hath xxx Days.

Full Moon 2 day at 6 in the morning.

Last Quarter 9 day at 6 in the afternoon.

New Moon 16 day at 9 in the forenoon.

First Quarter 23 day at 6 in the afternoon.

1	c	Whits. Tuesday	thighs	This Month the days are long, and
2	f	Wellingboro. F.	thighs	the <i>Papists</i> had much to do in destroy-
3	g	Alisbury Fair	knees	ing those who impugned their totter-
4	a	Sun set 8. 19	knees	ing Kingdom. <i>Ann Askew, John Lancel,</i>
5	b	Pomfret Fair	legs	mart. 1546. <i>Jerom</i> of Prague that good
6	c	Trinity Sunday	legs	champion of Christs cause, mar. June 1.
7	d	Rowel Fair	legs	1416. <i>Nic. Belman, Th. Hawks,</i> June 10.
8	e	Sun rise 3 41	feet	1555. <i>T. Wats, J. Symson Jo. Ardley,</i> mart.
9	f	Maidstone Fair	feet	June 14. 1555. <i>N. Chamberlain, T. Hof-</i>
10	g	Sun set 8 19	head	<i>mond, W. Bramford,</i> mart. June 15. 1555
11	a	S. Barna. Term	begins	<i>T. Horland</i> June 16. 1556. <i>T. Osfward, T.</i>
12	b	Sun rise 3 41	neck	<i>Read,</i> June 20. <i>T. Abbington, T. Wood-</i>
13	c	1 after Trin.	neck	<i>win, Th. Milton,</i> June 23. 1556. One
14	d	Bangor Fair	arms	would have thought thus much blood
15	e	Devizes Fair	arms	might have quenched the <i>Popes</i> thirst,
16	f	Sun set 8 19	breast	but it would not do. <i>Ra. Jackson, H. Ad-</i>
17	g	Stowgreen Fair	breast	<i>lington, L. Cawch W. Halliwell, G. Searls,</i>
18	a		heart	<i>J. Routh, J. Densal, H. Wye, Ed. Hurst,</i>
19	b	Sun rise 3 42	heart	<i>Lawr. Parman, T. Bowyer, Eliz. Pepper,</i>
20	c	2 after Trin.	bowel	<i>Agn. George;</i> these 13 all honest Peo-
21	d	Sun set 8 18	and	ple and true, came in with a Verdict
22	e	S. Alban. Shrew.	belly	against Popish Trinkets and Trumpe-
23	f	Sun rise 3 44	reins	ries, Heresies and Idolatries, and seal-
24	g	S. John Bapt. &	reins	ed their witness with their Blood,
25	a	Bowtongreen F.	secret	June 27. 1557. This <i>Missummer</i>
26	b	Sun set 8 14	secret	Moon made bloody <i>Bonner</i> stark fran-
27	c	3 after Trin.	secret	tick, being drunk with Quaffing and
28	d	Sun rise 3 48	thighs	Carowling Innocents blood. <i>Precious</i>
29	e	S. Peter Apostle	thighs	<i>in the sight of the Lord is the death of</i>
30	f	Term ends	knees	<i>his Saints,</i> Psal. 116. 15.

Popish Blasphemies.

1. Pope *Hildebrand*, who goes under the name of *Gregory* the Seventh, he poysoned six or seven *Popes* before he could get the *Popedom* himself. He threw the Sacrament into the fire, because it answered not his demands, concerning his success against the Emperour whom he Excommunicated.

2. Pope *Julius* the Third being forbidden Pork by his Physicians, as not agreeable to his health, swore desperately he would have it, *Al despetto de dio, In despite of God himself.* The same Belly-God Pope, having lost a Peacock Pie, fell into a fustian fume, cursing and swearing; and when one of his Cardinals advised him to compose his passion, he replied, God could be angry for a sorry Apple, and shall not I for a delicate Peacock? He was a great *Sodomite*, and gave a Cardinals Hat to a *Sodomitical* Boy whom he had abused; whereupon one *Walterius* describes the See of *Rome* under him in this Tetrastrichon.

Whats *Rome*? Even that preposterousness doth show,
What's that, spel't backward, then thou soon mayst know;
Backward tis *Amor*, Love, what love? nay hold,
It is a male love, odious to be told.

3. Pope *Leo* the Tenth was a great favourer of Learning, but so little he favoured of Religion, that he was often heard to say, *Quantas nobis divitias comparavit ista fabula Christi*; a speech so blasphemous that *Porphyrie*, or *Julian* the *Apostata* could never match it.

4. Pope *Sixtus* the Fourth, when he should first enter into *Rome* in his Papal dignity, had made for him a Pageant of Triumph, cunningly fixed upon that Gate of the City he should enter at, having written upon it this blasphemous Verse, dedicated unto him.

*Oraculo vocis mundi moderaris habenas,
Et merito in terris crederis esse Deus.*

By oracle of thy own voice the World thou govern'st all,
And worthily a God on earth men think, and do thee call.

July hath xxxi Days.

Full Moon 1 day at 7 at night
 Last Quarter 8 day at midnight
 New Moon 15 day at 8 at night
 First Quarter 23 day at noon
 Full Moon 31 day at 6 in the morning

1 g	Sun rise 3 51	knees	This Month the weather was hot,
2 a	Ashton un. Lin	knees	and persecution amongst the Poor
3 b	Rikmansworth	legs	Protestants much hotter. <i>Henry Voz,</i>
4 c	4 after Trin.	legs	<i>John Esch,</i> Mart. July 1. 1522. <i>John</i>
5 d	Burton up. Tre	feet	<i>Frith</i> July 4. 1523. <i>Anthony Person</i>
6 a	Haveril Fair	feet	Mart. July 8. 1543 <i>Robert Testwood,</i>
7 f	Burntwood Fa.	head	<i>H. Filmore</i> mart. <i>John Bradford</i> Prea-
8 g	Sun set 8 2	head	cher mart. <i>John Lease, John Pelley,</i>
9 a	Sun rise 3 59	neck	<i>Will. Ming</i> Minist. <i>Rich. Hook, John</i>
10 b	Sun set 8 0	neck	<i>Bloud</i> Preacher mart. July 12. 1555
11 c	5 after Trin.	arms	<i>John Frank</i> mart. <i>Hum. Middleton, Ni.</i>
12 d	Sun in Leo	arms	<i>Sbetterden, William Digkel, Der.</i>
13 e	Fodinghay Fair	breast	<i>Carver</i> mart. July 12. 1555 In the
14 f	Sun rise 4 6	and	Isle of Wight July 17. 1556 <i>Ruter.</i>
15 g	Greensted Fair	stoma.	<i>Cawches</i> and <i>Per. Massey</i> her daugh-
16 a	Sun set 7 52	heart	ter were burnt, the said <i>Perratine</i>
17 b	Stevenage Fair	heart	then big with Child could not get a
18 c	6 after Trin.	bowels	Reprieve till she was delivered, her
19 d	Dog days beg.	bowels	Child with the violence of the Flame,
20 e	Barkway Fair	reins	burst out of her womb, and was thrown
21 f	Bicklefworth F.	and	into the flame by those bloody Perfe-
22 g	Ickleton Fair	loyns	cutors. I wonder what articles of He-
23 a	Carnarvan Fair	secrets	resie they could lay to this Childs
24 b	Sun rise 4 20	secrets	charge. <i>Jo. Foreman, Sim. Miller,</i>
25 c	St. James Apost.	thighs	<i>Eliz. Cooper</i> Martyrs.
26 d	Audley-end Fa.	and	If these the acts of grace and fa-
27 e	Ashwel Fair	hips	vor be,
28 f	Sun set 7 33	knees	Graceless and cruel are such <i>Pope:</i>
29 g	Sun rise 4 28	knees	we see.
30 a	Stafford Fair	legs	
31 b	Sun set 7 28	legs	

Popish Pride.

Pope *Honorius* the Third crowned *Frederick* (the Nun *Constance's* Son) against *Otho* the 14th, and notwithstanding for claiming his rights, afterwards Excommunicates him. He caused 400 *scots* to be hanged, and their Children Gelded, for burning their Bishop (who had Excommunicated them) in his own Kitchin; of him was made this Rithme.

O *Pater Honori*, *multorum nate dolori*,
Est tibi decori vivere ? vade mori.

O Father *Honori*, born for a sad story,
To live is it glory ? Death is too good for ye.

2. *Justinian* the second kissed the feet of Pope *Constantine*, and ever since it must be counted an high favour an't please the Pigs, to kiss his Holiness golden Slipper and sweaty Toes. This mindeth me of a story, how *Sr. Th. Bullen* being sent an Embassador to the Pope, was graced to kiss his Holiness Toe, which he had no sooner done, but his Spaniel in imitation of his Master sought to do the like, but instead of a gentle salute he gave him a Bite, enough to have made him be cursed by Bell, Book and Candle. Far more comical was that of a Gentleman, who being admitted into the Popes Presence, had the honor to kiss his Toe; his servant which attended on him seeing it, began to run as fast as he could, but being stopt, and askt the reason of his hast, he desired them to let him go for if (said he) they make my Master who is a man of such a great Estate to kiss his Toe, I am sure they will make me who am but his servant to kiss a foot and a half higher, meaning his Breech.

3. Pope *Alexander* the third Excommunicated the Emperor *Frederick* the first, and by raising war against him in every place, brought him to that exigence, that he was fain to prostrate himself at his feet: when the Pope treading on his neck, said aloud, *super Aspidem & Basiliscum*, &c. profanely applying those words on the present occasion. And when the Emperor to put the better colour on his disgrace, meekly replied, *non tibi sed Petro*, the Pope not willing to loose his part of so great a glory, subjoined as angrily, *& mihi & Petro*. Now what may we think of these Popes, or what could those Popes think of themselves.

Can they by pride suppose in Heaven to dwell
With God, when as Pride make the Devils in hell.

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August hath xxxi Days.

Last Quarter 7 day at 5 in the morning
 New Moon 14 day at 5 in the morning
 First Quarter 22 day at 4 in the morning
 Full Moon 29 day at 5 at night

1	☾	Lammas day	feet	This Month produces a plentiful
2	d	Thaxted Fair	feet	Harvest of Martyrs; Leonard Reyser,
3	e	Sun rise 4 38	head	James Abbes Mart. August 16. 1527
4	f	Thunderly Fair	head	John Denley Gent. mart. Aug. 8. 1555
5	g	Sun set 7 19	neck	Will Bougeor, Robert Purcas, Tho.
6	a	Peterborough F.	and	Bennald, Agnes Smith, Ellen Ewring,
7	b	Sun rise 4 45	throat	Eliz. Fulkcs, all 6 burnt at Colchester
8	☾	9 after Trin.	arms	August 2. 1557 in the morning:
9	d	Aberlew Fair	arms	Thus the Pope drunk his mornings
10	e	Blackmoor F.	breast	draught in the blood of either Sex,
11	f	Sun set 7 8	breast	and in the same place in the afternoon
12	g	Sun rise 4 54	heart	he had Will. Munt, Alice Munt, Rose
13	a	Sun in Virgo	heart	Allen, J. Johnson, this was for his Bea-
14	b	Sun set 7 2	bowels	ver or afternoons Luncheon, you may
15	☾	10 after Trin.	bowels	perceive the Pope has no queasie sto-
16	d	St. Albans Fair	reins	mach, that he can gorge himself with
17	e	Sun rise 5 4	and	such large morsels. George Eagles, one
18	f	Sun set 6 54	loins	Friar, and the Sister of George Eagles
19	g	Sun rise 5 8	secrets	martyred the same day. W. Hale, R.
20	a	Sun set 6 50	secrets	Garnvel, Joan Wasse mart. Aug. 1.
21	b	Sun rise 5 12	thighs	1556 W. Cooker, Will. Hopper, Hen.
22	☾	11 after Trin.	and	Lawrence, Richard Collier, William
23	d	Sun set 6 44	hips	Steer, all five martyred at Canter-
24	e	S. Bartholomew	knees	bury August 23. 1555 The Butcher-
25	f	24 Beggars Bu.	knees	ly Papists have full trading this month.
26	g	Sun rise 5 22	legs	Eliz. Waine, George Tankersfeld mar.
27	a	Dog days end	legs	August 15. 1555 Stephen Harwood
28	b	Daintry Fair	legs	mart. Aug. 30. 1555
29	☾	12 after Trin.	feet	
30	d	Sun set 6 30	feet	
31	e	Sun rise 5 32	head	

Popish Magicians.

1. *Silvester* the second began to play the Devil betimes, having cozened a *Saracen* in *Sivil* of his Conjuring Books, by being inward with the Magitians Daughter; then he contracts with the Devil, to be his wholly upon condition he would fit him with Promotions. They say he must needs go whom the Devil drives; by help of him and his other arts he obtained at last to be *Pope* of *Rome*; in which Seat he concealed (but ever practised) his devilish mystery, having in secret a Brazen head instead of a *Delphick* Oracle. Consulting with this on a time, how long he should live, answer was given, *untill he said Mass in Jerusalem*. This made him confident of a long continuance, but he was cozened by the Devils Equivocation, who seized upon him saying Mass in the Church of *St. Cross*, otherwise called *Jerusalem*. He was afterwards buried in the *Laterane* Church, the ratling of whose bones in his Sepulchre, prognosticates the death of his Successors.

2. *Benedict* the eighth a great Conjuror, is said to be seen after his death upon a black horse, and confessed he was greatly tormented, and desired the party that saw him to procure *Odile* of *Cluniarck* to pray for him, and to tell his friend *John* that he should take a treasure, which he discovered where it was hidden, and distribute to the Poor for his Soul. *Quere. Whether Benedict might not be then in Hell, and this only an Apparition of the Devil to persuade People to Superstition.*

3. *Pope John* the thirteenth was much noted for Magick. He came to the *Popedom* by bribery; was given to all debauchedness, perjury and sacriledge. He dismembred divers of his Cardinals, by plucking out their eyes, cutting off their hands, and gelding them. He made Deacons in his stable amongst his horses, for money he made Boys Bishops. He deflowered *Keyners* a widow, his Fathers Concubine, and *Anna* another with her Necce, put out the eyes of his Ghostly Father *Benedict*; brake windows in the night, set houses on fire, drank a health to the Devil, would say Mass and not communicate. At last being taken in the act of Adultery with another mans wife, he received from her Husband such a gash, as sent him we suppose not into *Purgatory*, but rather down right into *Hell*.

September hath xxx Days.

Last Quarter 5 day at 11 in the forenoon

New Moon 12 day at 8 at night

First Quarter 20 day at 14 at night

Full Moon 28 day at 4 in the morning

1 f	St. Giles Fair	head	As we have no Month which is not
2 g	Sun set 6 25	neck	rubrick't in the Kalendar with some
3 a	Sun rise 5 37	neck	eminent Saint, so we have no Month
4 b	Sun set 6 21	arms	in the Year but in which the Pope by
5 c	13 after Trin.	arms	his cruelties did send up some in fiery
6 d	Sun rise 5 45	breast	Chariots unto Heaven. Will. Wright
7 e	Ware Fair	breast	Minister, John Waddon Minister mart.
8 f	Sturbridge Fair	heart	1428 Will. Allen mart. 1556 Tho.
9 g	Nat. B. Virgin	heart	Cob, Tho. Coe Martyrs, 1555 George
10 a	Sun set 6 7	bowels	Catmere mart. Sept. 6. 1555. Corn
11 b	Sun rise 5 56	and	Bungay Sept. 8. Robert Streeter, An
12 c	14 after Trin.	belly	thony Barward, George Bradbridge,
13 d	Newtonred F.	reins	James Tuttey, 1555 This Year 1555
14 e	Waltham Ab.F	reins	was as eminent for the Papists cruelty
15 f	Raiadargwy F.	secrets	in burning the Servants of God, as the
16 g	Sun set 5 54	secrets	Year 1666 for their burning the City
17 a	Cliffe Fair	secrets	of London. Cicely Ormas, Joyce Lewis
18 b	Sun rise 6 11	thighs	mart. Sept. 10. John Warn, Christian
19 c	15 after Trin.	thighs	Glover, Thomas Aspath, John Ashdone,
20 d	Ruthin Fair	knees	T. Spurdance, John Fortune mart. Anno
21 e	Matthew Apost	and	1557 These bloody Butchers, like
22 f	Sun set 5 41	hams	their Father the Devil, bestir them
23 g	Pancridge Fair	legs	selves because time is short. Ralph
24 a	Malton a week	legs	Allerton mart. Rich. Rock mart.
25 b	Sun rise 6 25	feet	James Anstoo and Margery his Wife,
26 c	16 after Trin.	feet	with Rich. Rock and Ralph Allerton,
27 d	Sun set 5 31	head	all burnt in one Fire at Islington Sept.
28 e	Sun rise 6 31	head	17. 1557.
29 f	Michael Arch.	neck	----in flames of fire
30 g	29 Bishopstarf	neck	Their holy lives expire.

Popish Councils.

1. In a Council at *Rome*, held under Pope *Innocent* the third, It was decreed that the *Pope* should have the correction of all Christian Princes, and that no Emperor should be acknowledged till he had sworn obedience to him. This was a very merry Council, and much of that jolly humour of the Great *Cham* of *Tartary*, who when he hath dined, commands his Trumpeters to sound and make Proclamation, that now all other Kings and Princes may sit down to dinner.

2. Under Pope *John* the 23. was another Council holden at *Rome*, where when they were sat, behold an ugly and dreadfull Owl flew to and fro in the Council with her evil-favour'd voice, and standing upon a beam, stared directly the *Pope* in the face. This put the whole Company in a great affright, to see the night-bird which is wont to abide no light, how he should in the mid-day come in the face of such a multitude. But the *Pope* himself was most troubled to see the Owl look so stedfastly on him, and taking it to be ominous he dissolved the Council for the present, after that followed another Session, in which the Owl (although she was not summoned to appear) was again present, looking stedfastly upon the *Pope*, and would not stir from the place where she sat notwithstanding their shouts and hallowings, untill with bats and stroaks of the sticks that were thrown at her, she fell down dead before them all. Certainly the *Pope* was much to blame to have the Owl killed, since he might have made a fit President for the Council.

3. The *Laterane* Council held by Pope *Leo* the tenth, termed him the *Lion of the Tribe of Judah*, to whom all power was given both in Heaven and in Earth, whom all Kings must adore, *Psal.* 72. Certainly these Men were not so clear sighted as the Owl we spake of before, nor had any more brains in them than is in an old Horse-shoe.

That *Popes* may err, we see they often doe,
And so likewise may General Councils too.

October hath xxxi Days.

Last Quarter 4 day at 7 at night

New Moon 12 day at noon

First Quarter 20 day at 4 in the afternoon

Full Moon 27 day at 2 in the afternoon

1	a	Sun set 5 22	arms	In this Month we will place <i>William</i>
2	b	Salisbury Fair	arms	<i>Tyndal</i> in the Front, against whom
3	c	17 after Trin.	breast	the Papiſts had an inveterate spleen
4	d	Faſely S. Faiths	breast	for tranſlating the Scripture into En-
5	e	Sun riſe 6 46	heart	<i>gliſh</i> , by the light of which their Do-
6	f	Maidſtone Fair	and	ctrine, and deeds of Darkneſs were diſ-
7	g	Banbury Fair	back	covered. He was martyred Anno 1534
8	a	Sun ſet 5 8	bowels	Next follows <i>Peter</i> a German, <i>Thomas</i>
9	b	Aſhburn, Harb.	belly	<i>Garrard</i> , <i>Robert Barnes</i> mart. 1539
10	c	18 after Trin.	reins	<i>Will. Woolſey</i> , <i>Robert Pigot</i> Octob. 4,
11	d	Sun riſe 6 58	reins	1555 <i>Hugh Latimer</i> , <i>Nich. Ridley</i> two
12	e	Sun in Scorpio	ſecrets	pious, godly Biſhops, who left their
13	f	Colcheſt. Hitch	ſecrets	earthly Mitres to enjoy a Crown of
14	g	& Leigh. Buz. F	ſecrets	Glory, martyred at Oxford Octob. 16,
15	a	Sun ſet 4 54	thighs	1555 <i>Adam Walls</i> , <i>Mark Burges</i> , <i>W.</i>
16	b	Sun riſe 7 8	and	<i>Hooker</i> , <i>Mr Simpson</i> a Prieſt, <i>Bened</i>
17	c	19 after Trin.	hips	a Friar, <i>Keyler</i> a Black Friar, <i>Norman</i>
18	d	<i>Luke Evan. &</i>	knees	<i>Gozely</i> Vicar of <i>Dolor</i> , a Black Canon,
19	e	Wellington. F.	knees	with four others mart. 1556 Theſe
20	f	Sun ſet 4 44	legs	had a more true title to Religious
21	g	Saff. Walden F.	legs	<i>Perſons</i> , than the reſt who continued
22	a	Sun riſe 7 20	feet	in their Orders. Three died in priſon
23	b	Term begins	feet	at Colcheſter Octo. 18, 1556 Confeſ-
24	c	20 after Trin.	feet	ſors on Earth, Saints in Heaven. <i>John</i>
25	d	Beaverly Fair	head	<i>Wells</i> Gent. <i>George Roper</i> , <i>Gregory</i>
26	e	Leichfield Fair	head	<i>Park</i> martyred at Canterbury Oct. 33,
27	f	Sun ſet 4 31	neck	1555 The ſouls of them that were
28	g	<i>Sim. & Jude &</i>	neck	<i>ſlain for the Word of God</i> , cried out,
29	a	Newmarket Fa.	arms	<i>How long O Lord, Holy and True</i> , doſt
30	b	Sun riſe 7 34	arms	<i>thou not judge and avenge our Blood on</i>
31	c	21 after Trin.	breast	<i>them that dwell on the earth</i> , Rev. 6.10.

Popish Implicit Faith in believing lies.

S. *Benedict* who was the Father of the *Benedictines*, to conquer his amorous passions, rowled himself naked amongst netles and thorns; which Thorns a long time after S. *Francis* grafted Roses upon (as *Bollandus* relates) which bear in the coldest time of Winter, and of them Rose-water is made, which is sent as a Present to the greatest Princes, *being as rare and as good as old maids water.*

2. The *Jesuits* are so obedient to their Superiors, that one of them being in the midst of his Mass, which they call the Sacrifice of the Altar, he was sent for by his Superior, to whom leaving off his Mass he went immediately; his Superior having no business wherein to imploy him, told him, that he only sent for him to try his obedience, and withall profanely added, that obedience was better than Sacrifice. *Thus you see a dog if he be taught will come to his Masters whistle.*

3. The forementioned *Benedict*, saith *Petrus Damiani*, being led by the Spirit to the top of a mountain, in his sleep he saw Ladders reaching from thence to Heaven, and a great many Monks going up to Heaven upon them. *Had he lived in these late times, he might abroad waking have seen a great many of his fellow-Jesuits have gone up ladders to Heaven-ward in a string.*

4. A Collier once met his Cloven-footed Holiness, and being both of a colour, to prove whether they were both of a Religion, began to question him in this wise. Collier (quoth the Devil) how dost thou believe? Devil (quoth the Collier) I believe as the Church believes. I, but how doth the Church believe (quoth the Devil again) why, as I believe said the Collier. *Could his Triple Holiness himself have given a better answer to make the Fiend blush through his black Velvet Jacket.*

5. One *Rob. Tomson* a Merchant, born at *Andover* in *Hampshire*, sailing in a *Spanish* ship to *Nova Hispania*, to make a discovery thereof, in his passage thither, a light like a candle (being nothing else but a meteor frequent by sea and land) fell on their main Mast, which the *Spaniards* on their knees worshipped for St. *Elmo*, the Advocate for Sailers; were not these paper-skull'd *Spaniards* think ye to adore a Meteor for their Advocate, moving Blocks.

Dull as a thick-skull'd Justice, drunk with sloth;
Or Alderman far gone in Capon Broth.

November

November hath xxx Days.

Last Quarter 3 day at 6 in the morning
 New Moon 11 day at 6 in the morning
 First Quarter 19 day at 6 in the morning
 Full moon 25 day at 11 at night

1 d	All Saints day	breast	Though the weather were now cold,
2 e	& Bickleswor.	heart	the heat of Persecution did not cease,
3 f	Sun set 4 19	heart	for in this Month these blessed Mar-
4 g	Sun rise 7 42	heart	tyrs mounted to Heaven in a Coach
5 a	Powder Plot	bowels	of fire.
6 b	Sun set 4 14	belly	Richard Meakins, Richard Spencer,
7 c	22 after Trin.	reins	Andrew Hewit mart. 1541 Thomas
8 d	Sun rise 7 49	and	Bernard, James Morton mart. 1542
9 e	Sun set 4 9	loins	George Wiseheart Gent. John Kerby,
10 f	Fairat Lenton	secrets	Roger Clarke mart. 1546 These were
11 g	by Nottingh.	secrets	Truths Bone-fires, sealing their Pro-
12 a	Sun rise 7 57	hips	fession with their blood. Alexander
13 b	Sun set 4 2	and	Gouch, Alice Driver martyred at Ip-
14 c	23 after Trin.	thighs	swich Nov. 4, 1554 as no time, for
15 d	Sun rise 8 0	knees	scarce no place free from Persecution.
16 e	Sun set 3 59	knees	John Cornford, Christopher Brown,
17 f	Northampton,	legs	John Hart, Alice Snoth, Katherine
18 g	Spalding Fairs	legs	Knight, burnt at Canterbury Novem-
19 a	Sun rise 8 5	feet	ber 10, 1558 These five were the
20 b	Sun set 3 53	feet	last that suffered in Queen Maries
21 c	24 after Trin.	head	days, according as they begged of
22 d	Sun rise 8 9	head	God at the Stake, That their Blood
23 e	Sun set 3 50	neck	might be the last that should be shed,
24 f	Sun rise 8 11	neck	and that it might quench those flames
25 g	Higham Ferr.	Farms	which had devoured so many hun-
26 a	Sun set 3 48	arms	dreds. To which Prayer (saith my
27 b	Sun rise 8 13	breast	Author) Providence said Amen. Queen
28 c	Advent Sunday	breast	Mary dying about six Days after their
29 d	Term ends	heart	Martyrdom.
30 e	Andrew Apostle	heart	

Popish Reliques.

1. That you may see the Papists have no false Reliques amongst them, we shall instance in *St. John Baptists Head*; They of *Amiens* brag that they have his Face, and so do they of *S. John d' Angelie*. The rest of his Head is at *Malta*, yet is the hinder part of his Skull at *Namur*, and his Brain at *Novum Rostoniense*. Another part of it is at *Maurienna*, another piece at *Paris*, his Jaw at *Wesel*, his Ear at *S. Flowres*, his Forehead and Hair at *S. Salvadors in Venice*, another piece of his head is at *Noyon*, and another at *Luca*, yet is his whole Head intire and unmaimed in *S. Sylvesters Church at Rome*. And now Reader can you be such a Nullifidian as to make any doubt that every one of these are not true Reliques? And what an inestimable deal of good may be got by worshipping they know not what.

2. *Agelnoth* Archbishop of *Canterbury*, going to *Rome* to get his *Pall*, bought of his Holiness the Arm of *S. Augustine* Bishop of *Hippo*, which cost him a hundred talents of silver, which at his return home he gave to the Church of *Coventry* for a precious Relique: Now if *S. Augustines* Arm was worth so much money, what think you was the price of his whole Body? but how if this was not *S. Augustines* Arm, but the Arm of some other Person, what a dear penniworth it was. But who can doubt of the truth of the matter, for we know his Holiness cannot err.

3. At *Rhemes in France* is kept the *Unction* of a sacred Oil, which they say came down from Heaven, and though they use never so much of it, it will not decrease; yet none of their Historians tell us what Saint it was that sent it, whether *S. Denis* or any other, because (I suppose) they never asked the Messenger that brought it.

4. At *Gaunt in Flanders* they show the Asses tail, upon which (they say) Christ rode in triumph to *Jerusalem*; though some think there is none but Asses that will believe it.

5. At *Hallo in Brabant* they boast to have the Breeches of *Joseph*, without welt or guard; also some Haircloth, the same that *Elias* wore, or else *John the Baptist*, they know not themselves well which; but if you please to pay well for the sight of it, you may believe as you list your self.

December

December hath xxxi Days.

Last Quarter 2 day at 9 at night
 New Moon 11 day at 2 in the morning
 First Quarter 18 day at 7 at night
 Full Moon 25 day at 18 in the forenoon

1 f	Sun set 3 44	bowels	Now to conclude the Year, we find
2 g	Sun rise 8 16	and	registred these Martyrs for this Month.
3 a	Sun set 3 43	belly	<i>Peter Sapience</i> , who answered his
4 b	Sun rise 8 17	reins	name by his Heavenly Wisdom in dis-
5 c	2 <i>Sund.in Adv.</i>	loins	covering the folly of <i>Popish</i> Worship.
6 d	S. Neots, Exeter	secrets	martyred 1545 <i>George Bucker</i> alias
7 e	& Spalden Fairs	secrets	<i>Adam Damply</i> , an Aged man in
8 f	Northampton	secrets	<i>Buckinghamshire</i> , mart. 1531 Two
9 g	Sun set 3 41	thighs	Gray Friars mart. 1381 Few Beasts
10 a	Sun rise 8 19	thighs	of prey seize on their own kind, but
11 b	Newport Pag.F	knees	the cruel <i>Pope</i> spares none who will
12 c	3 <i>Sund.in Adv.</i>	and	not dance to the tune of his Pipe.
13 d	Sun set 3 41	hams	A Scholar of <i>Abbeville</i> mart. 1522
14 e	Sun rise 8 19	legs	Also a <i>Jew</i> , 1528 The <i>Jews</i> are
15 f	Sun set 3 42	legs	very zealous of the second Command-
16 g	Sun rise 8 18	feet	ment; but who will not worship the
17 a	Sun set 3 42	feet	<i>Papists</i> Wooden Blocks, they will find
18 b	Sun rise 8 18	head	Blocks to burn them withall. <i>The.</i>
19 c	4 <i>Sund.in Adv.</i>	head	<i>Rhedovens</i> an Earl, martyr. 1436
20 d	Sun set 3 43	neck	Nobility will not quench the rage of
21 e	<i>Thomas Apostle</i>	neck	cruelty. <i>Rich. Hun</i> mart. December
22 f	Sun rise 8 16	arms	4, 1515 <i>Jo. Tewksbury</i> mart. De-
23 g	Sun set 3 45	arms	cember 20, 1531 <i>John Philpot</i> Prea-
24 a	Sun rise 8 14	breast	cher mart. December 18, 1557 <i>John</i>
25 b	<i>Christs Nativ.</i>	breast	<i>Rough</i> mart. December 22, 1557
26 c	<i>Stephen Proto.</i>	heart	<i>Margaret Mearing</i> mart. Anno 1558
27 d	<i>St John Evan</i>	and	
28 e	<i>Innocents day</i>	back	The Year is ended with the days
29 f	Canterbury &	bowels	decrease,
30 g	Salisbury Fairs	belly	But <i>Popish</i> Tyranny doth never
31 a	Sun set 3 57	reins	cease.

Popish Saints.

1. Father *Garnet*, who though not Sainted, was by the *Pope* for his good service in the *Powder-plot*, *Beatified*; which though one of the lowest degrees of Celestial dignity, yet is a step above the Commonality or ordinary sort of such good men as are to be saved; for you must understand, the *Pope* can place men in heaven in what degree he pleases. At his execution a straw sprinkled with some of his blood leaped upon the hand of one *Wilkinson*, which (they said) bore the Image of *Garnet*, adorned with streaming Rays about it, which was by the *Papists* divulged for a great miracle; but upon due examination it was proved to be a falsity, and that the whole story for reality thereof was not worth a straw.

This *Garnet* was Provincial of the *Jesuits* in *England*, which *Jesuits* what they are, take from the pen of one of their own persuasion, viz. Father *Watson* a Secular Priest, who thus Characterises them. No, No, *their course of life doth shew what their study is, and that howsoever they boast of their Perfections, Holiness, Meditations and Exercises; yet their platform is Heathenish, Tyranical, Satanical; and able to set Aretine, Lucian, Machiavil, yea, and Don Lucifer in a sort to school, as impossible for him, by all the art he hath, to be so good as they do.*

2. *Guy Faux*, one so eminent in the *Powder-plot*, that he was to be the instrument of firing the Train which should have blown up the *Parliament-House*, and therefore deserves a special room in the *Popish Calender*, although he jostle out 3 or 4 of the Primitive Martyrs to get in.

3. To these we may add *Macguire*, whose head and heart was chief in the *Irish Rebellion*. *St. Hubert* who was an eminent instrument in the *Firing of London*, *William Staley*, Father *Whitebread*, *Richard Langborn*, *Andrew Brommich*, *William Atkyns*, &c.

A Regal Table from *Egbert* the first *Saxon* Monarch, to our
Sovereign Lord King *Charles* the Second.

Kings Names.	Reign began A. C.	Reign years	Kings Names.	Reign began A. C.	Reign years
<i>Egbert</i>	818	18	<i>John</i>	1199	17
<i>Ethelwolf</i>	826	21	<i>Henry III.</i>	1216	56
<i>Ethelbald</i>	857	1	<i>Edward I.</i>	1273	35
<i>Etheldred</i>	863	10	<i>Edward II.</i>	1307	19
<i>Alfred</i>	873	27	<i>Edward III.</i>	1326	51
<i>Edward I. Sax.</i>	900	24	<i>Richard II.</i>	1377	22
<i>Ethelstan</i>	924	16	Line of Lancaster.		
<i>Edmond</i>	940	6	<i>Henry IV.</i>	1399	13
<i>Edred</i>	946	9	<i>Henry V.</i>	1413	9
<i>Edwyn</i>	955	4	<i>Henry VI.</i>	1422	38
<i>Edgar</i>	959	20	Line of York.		
<i>Edward II. Sax.</i>	979	37	<i>Edward IV.</i>	1240	23
<i>Ethelred</i>	982	34	<i>Edward V.</i>	1483	0
<i>Edmond II.</i>	1016	1	<i>Richard III.</i>	1483	2
Danish Line.			Families United.		
<i>Canutus</i>	1017	20	<i>Henry VII.</i>	1485	24
<i>Harold I.</i>	1037	3	<i>Henry VIII.</i>	1508	40
<i>Hardicanutus</i>	1040	2	<i>Edward VI.</i>	1547	6
<i>Edward Conf.</i>	1042	23	<i>Queen Mary</i>	1553	5
<i>Harold II.</i>	1065	2	<i>Queen Elisabeth.</i>	1558	44
Norman Line.			Kingdoms United.		
<i>Will. Conqueror</i>	1066	20	<i>King James</i>	1602	22
<i>William Rufus</i>	1087	13	<i>Charles I.</i>	1625	24
<i>Henry I.</i>	1100	25	<i>Charles II.</i>	1648	31
<i>Stephen</i>	1135	19	Whom God above		
Saxon Line restored.			Preserve in love.		
<i>Henry II.</i>	1154	35			
<i>Richard I.</i>	1189	10			

God bless our King his days in Peace to Spend,
And from all Popish Plots his Life defend.

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see their own Sweet Faces.

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ing Apparitions, Miracles, Wonders, Christ-
ning of Bells, and other such weighty Foole-
ries.

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That *Papists* may learn to Blush at their Heretical Principles, and
Protestants may learn to beware of their Cruel and Treache-
rous Practices.

Felix quem faciunt aliena pericula cautum.
Felix quem faciunt aliorum premia promptum.

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Brief Memorials of Popish Fopperies, believed by them as Sacred Oracles.

1. **T**Hat at a Town called *Wroxahll* in *Warwickshire*, one *Hugh* was Lord thereof, who going to Warfare in the *Holy Land*, was there taken Prisoner, and so continued in great hardship there for the space of Seven years; but at length considering that St. *Leonard* was the Saint to whom his Parish Church had been Dedicated, and the many Miracles that God had often wrought by the merits of that his glorious Confessor, made his addresses by earnest Prayers to him for deliverance. Whereupon St. *Leonard* appeared to him in his sleep, in the habit of a Black Monk, bidding him arise and go home, and Found at his Church a House of Nuns of St. *Benets* Order; but the Knight awaking took this for no other than a dream, till that the same Saint appeared to him a second time in like manner: howbeit then with much Spiritual gladness rejoicing, he made a vow to God and St. *Leonard* that he would perform his command, which vow was no sooner made than that he became miraculously carried thence with his Fetters, and set in *Wroxhall* Woods; not far distant from his own House: yet knew not where he was, until a shepherd of his own passing through those thickets accidentally found him, and after some communication (though he was at first not a little affrighted, in respect he saw a Person so overgrown with hair) discovered all unto him. Whereupon his Lady and Children having advertisement, came forthwith to him, but believed not that he was her Husband, till he shewed her a piece of a Ring that had been broken betwixt them, which so soon as she applied to the other part in her own Custody closed therewith. And shortly after having given Solemn thanks to God, our Lady, and St. *Leonard*; and praying for some Divine Revelation where he should erect that Monastery, so promised by his said vow; he had special direction where to build it, by certain stones pitcht in the ground in the very place where the Altar was afterwards set. Now he that hath not Faith to believe this story, is not a through paced Roman Catholick, whose credulity can swallow more incredible things by far than this; as may be exemplified in this Story following.

2. Pope *Honorius* sent one *Berinus* to Preach in *England* in
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the time of *Kinigilsus* King of the *West Saxons*. He setting forward in his journey, passeth through *France*, and so to the Sea-side, where he found a passage ready, and the wind served so fair, as he was called upon in such haste, that he had no leisure to remember himself to take all things with him which he had to carry. At length as he was on the Sea Sailing, and almost in the middle course of his Passage, he remembered himself of a certain Relick left behind him for haste, which *Honorius* had given him at his coming out. Whereupon *Berinus* in great sorrow could not tell what to do; for the Mariners being *Heathens*, if he should have spoken to them to have turned their course, they would but have mocked him, and it had been in vain. Whereupon (as the story lies) he boldly stepped into the Sea, and walked on foot back again, taking with him that which was left behind, and so returned to his company back again, having not one thred of his Garments wet. Reader, *this Story of walking on the Sea, is as true as we Proverbially say, that the Candle burns in the Sea; but you must conceive that he wore Cork-shoes, and your Faith must be as light as Cork to believe the Miracle.*

3. At *Boxley* in *Kent* was a short Statue of *St. Runwald* set up in the Church contrived by the Priests (as was said) to try womens Chastities, but indeed to fill their own Purses; for such who paid the Priests well might easily remove it, being small, hallow, and light, and those who could remove it were accounted very honest; but such who gave the Priest nothing might Tug at it till their hearts ake't, for it would not stir. Now the contrivance of the Cheat was this, that it was fastened with a pin of wood by an invisible Stander-behind, which by ordering of the pin would either move or be fixed at their pleasure.

Thus as the Priest receiv'd their golden Ore,
They might be honest woman or a whore.

Much like is Recorded of *St. Wilfrids* needle, a place in *Yorkshire* very famous in time past, for a narrow hole in a close vaulted room under the ground, by which womens Honesties were also wont to be tryed, for such as were Chast passed through with much facility, but as many as had plaid false were miraculously held fast (by some such like invisible trick) and could not creep through.

4. *Elfred* Abbess of *Ramsay* in *Huntingdonshire*, was so charitable, that her Steward complained unto her, how she had exhausted her Coffers with the profuseness of her charity, whereupon she

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with her prayers presently recruited them to their former fulness. *This story is much like to that of Fortunatus Purse, & I conceive much of a trueneſs.* At another time, when her Candle, as ſhe read the Leſſon, caſually went out, there came ſuch a brightneſs from the fingers of her right hand, that it enlightened the whole Quire; *Which is as true as the new lights to which our modern Sectaries do pretend, the one having Miracles, the other Revelations at their Fingers ends.*

5. When St. Denis the Titular Saint of France, had his head ſmitten off by the Executioner, he caught it up between his arms, and ran with it down a Hill as faſt as his legs could carry him: half a mile from the place of his Execution, he ſat down and reſted, and ſo he did nine times in all, till he came to a place where a Church is now built to his memory, there he met with a very old, old, old woman, whom he charged to bury him in that place, and then fell down and died.

When men to lying do apply their mind,

The Devil prompts to what they are inclin'd :

And although nere ſo falſe they do obtrude,

It is believed by the multitude.

The ſame *mutatis mutandis* is told of St. Winifrid in Wales, as alſo of St. Oſith, a daughter to the King of the Eaſt Angles, and wife to Suthred laſt King of the Eaſt-Saxons, by whoſe conſent forſaking the world, ſhe was veil'd, and at laſt became Abbeſs of a Monastery of her own Founding at Chich in Eſſex, until the Danes infeſting thoſe Sea Coaſts, cut off her head in hatred of Religion: but this her head after it was cut off, was carried by the reſt of her body [*o wonder! o lie!*] three Furlongs, and then ſhe fell down and died. Such is the barrenneſs of Monkish invention, that unable to furniſh their ſeveral Saints with variety of ſeſtions, their tired fancy is fain to make the ſame Miracle ſerve many Saints.

But to return to St. Denis, to the memory of this St. did Dagobert the Firſt build a Church in the place where he was buried; for ſo it happened that this Dagobert during the life of Clotoyr the Second his Father, had cruelly ſlain Sadraſegille his Governor. To avoid the fury of his Father, much incenſed with that unprincely Action, he was compelled to wander up and down France hungry and thirſty. In this miſerable condition coming to the Sepulchre of Saint Denis, he laid him down and ſlept, when there appeared

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appeared to him an old man with a staff in his hand (*Reader, thou canst not choose but believe it*) who told him that his Father was dead, and that he should be King, and desired him that when it came so to pass, he would build a Church there in the Honour of St. *Denis*, which *Dagobert* coming to be King accordingly did, and a Bishop was sent for in all haste to bless it. But as one shoulder of Mutton draws down another, and as one lie produces its fellow, so it happened the night before the Bishops coming, that there came to the Town an ugly Leper, who desired to lie in the Church. And when he was there about 12 a Clock at night, our Saviour came into the Church in white Garments, and with him the Apostles, Angels, and Martyrs, and most delicious Musick. And then Christ blessed the Church, and bid the Leper tell the Bishop, that the Church was already blessed, and for a token of it he gave the Leper his health, who on the next morning was found to be whole, and as sound as a *Roach*.

6. At *Oxford* in *Kent*, one *Bartilmew* a St. was holden in great veneration. His Feast day was kept there both with a Fair and good Fare, ever upon St. *Bartholomews* day: he was much frequented by the Parishioners and Neighbours thereabout, for a most rare and singular property that he professed; For the manner was, that if any woman (conceived with Child) desired to bring forth a male, she should offer to St. *Bartilmew* a Cock-chicken, and if her wish were to be delivered of a Female, she should then present him with a Hen. This St. questionless was a good Purveyor of Poultry for the Parson of the Town.

7. But see here the impudency of shameless Monks, whose pens, as if they had a Patent from the Devil for lying, care not what they write to the advantage of the Popes interest, knowing it would meet with some credulous people to believe it. At *Long-Compton* in *Warwickshire* say they, about the year of our Saviours Incarnation 604. St. *Augustine* being arrived in *England* to Preach the Gospel, came thither, whereupon the Priest of that Parish repaired to him, and made a complaint that the Lord of the Town, not paying his Tithes, though admonished, was by him Excommunicated, and yet stood more obstinate: St. *Augustine* therefore correcting him for that fault, demanded the reason of such his refusal. Knowest thou not (quoth he) that they are not thine, but Gods? to whom the Knight answered, Did not I Plow and Sowe the Land? I will therefore have the 10th Sheaf as well as the

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Nine. Whereupon St. *Augustine* replied, *If thou wilt not pay them I will Excommunicate thee*; and so hastening to the Altar, publickly said, *I command that no Excommunicate person be present at Mass*; which words were no sooner spoke, than that a Dead-man, that lay Buried at the entrance into the Church, immediately arose out of his Grave, went without the compass of the Church-yard, and there stood still during the time of Mass, which being finished, St. *Augustine* went to him, and said, *I command thee in the name of God, that thou tell me who thou art*: to whom he made answer, *I was Patron of this place in the time of the Britains; and though frequently warn'd by the Priest, yet never would pay him my Tithes, and so died Excommunicate, and was thrust into Hell*. Which answer occasioned St. *Augustine* to command him to shew where the Priest was Buried that so Excommunicated him, who being accordingly directed to his Grave, said, *To the end that all men may know, that life and death are in the hands of God, to whom nothing is impossible, Arise in his name, for we have need of thee*; who thereupon came out of his Grave, and stood before them. To whom St. *Augustine* said, *Brother, dost thou know this man*? Yes quoth he, but I would I had never known him, for he was always a Rebel to the Church, a with-holder of his Tithes, and even to his last a very wicked man, which occasioned me to Excommunicate him (*Blush Reader at the impudence of these Monkish writers, for they are so shameless as not to blush themselves, who can make sinfull men to raise the dead at their pleasure, and this forsooth done by the vertue of their Mass*) But to proceed, *Augustine* replied, *Brother, thou knowest God is mercifull* (yea, more mercifull than the Pope) *therefore we must have pity on this miserable creature, who is the image of God, and redeemed with his Blood, having so long endured the pains of Hell*. Whereupon delivering to him a Scourge, he kneeled down, and craving Absolution with Tears, had it granted; and so by St. *Augustines* command returning to his Grave again, was immediately resolved to dust, (*or else the story lies*) Then said St. *Augustine* to the Priest, *How long hast thou been Buried*? Above an 150 Years quoth he. *Aug.* *How hast thou fared hitherto*? Well, quoth the Priest, enjoying the delights of eternal Life. *Aug.* *Art thou contented that I should pray unto God that thou mayst return again to us, and by thy Preaching reduce many souls unto him, that are deceived by the Devil*? But then the Priest began to be angry, as well he might,

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might, to be kept out of the joys of Heaven, and therefore said, Far be it from thee, O Father, that thou shouldest thus disturb my quiet, as to bring me back to the troublesome life of this world. So that *Aug.* was fain to say, *Go thy way then and rest in Peace, praying for me and for the Universal Church of God;* so accordingly entring his Grave he fell also to dust. But now comes the matter in hand wherefore all this stir was made. *St. Aug.* turning to the Knight said, *Wilt thou now pay thy Tithes to God, my Son?* who trembling and weeping fell at his feet, and confessing his offence, craved pardon; and shaving himself (*for still there is something of Monckery in every Miracle*) became a follower of *St. Aug.* all the days of his life.

8th. *The reason why the Pope Christens his Bells.*

If you will believe them, they say, that being by him thus sanctified, the sound of them doth drive Devils out of the Air, cleareth the skyes, thaseth away storms and tempests, quencheth fires, and gives comfort to all the Dead (but to none but those that hear them, to whom they are very sweet Musick) and if you will not believe the Pope, the Bells themselves will tell ye, being rung to this Tune.

Behold our uses are not small,
That God to praise Assemblies call;
That break the Thunder, wail the Dead,
And cleanse the Air of Tempests bred;
With fear keep off the Fiends of Hell,
And all by vertue of our Knell.

The Bell that is to be Baptized, is so hanged that it may be washed within and without. Then in comes the Bishop in his Episcopal Robes, attended by one of his Deacons, and sitting by the Bell in his Chair saith with a loud voice, the 50. 53, 56, 66, 69, 85, and 12 *Psalms*, or some of them; then doth he exorcise severally salt and water, and having Conjured those ingredients into an *Holy-water*, he washeth with it the Bell, both on the inside and the outside, wiping it dry with a Linen-Cloth; he then readeth the 145. 146, 147, 148, 149, and 150. *Psalms*; then he draweth a Cross on it with his Right-thumb dipped in Hallowed oyl (*Chrism* they call it) and then prayeth over it. His I finished he wipeth out that Cross, and having said over *Psalm*, he draweth on it with the same oyl, 7 other Crosses, *Sanctificetur & consecratur, Domine, Campana ista, in nomi*

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After another Prayer the Bishop taketh the Censour, and putting into it Myrrh and Frankincense setteth it on fire, and putteth it under the Bell, that it may receive all the fume of it. This being done, the 76 *Psalm* read, and some other Prayers repeated, the Bell hath received his whole and entire Baptism, and is from thence forth very fit and able to Ring out *Ding, Dong, Dong.*

These Bells had commonly the name of some Saint or other, given unto them in their Baptism; as for example of the Parish Church of *Winnington* in *Bedfordshire*, whose names are cast about the Verge of every one in particular, with these riming Hexameters.

Nomina Campanis hec indita sunt quoque nostris,

- 1 *Hoc signum Petri pulsatur nomine Christi.*
- 2 *Nomen Magdalene Campana sonat melodia.*
- 3 *Sit nomen Domini benedictum semper in ævum.*
- 4 *Musa Raphaelis sonat auribus Immanuelis.*
- 5 *Sum Rosa pulsata mundique Maria vocata.*

9 Now leave we the Bells and speak something of the *Fryers*; Our Ancient famous Poet *Geoffery Chaucer*, it seems was no great friend unto them, as appeareth in his *Canterbury-Tales*, where by the mouth of the *Sompner* he setteth them out in their proper colours, as where the *Fryer* perswading with the sick Farmer to make his Confession to him, rather than to his Parish Priest, having his hand upon his Half-peny, makes this request to the Bed-rid man lying upon his *Couch*.

Yeve me then of thy Gold to make our Cloister,
Quoth he, for many a Muskle and many an Oister,
When other men have been full well at ease
Hath been our Food : our Cloister for to rease,
And yet, God wor, unneath the Foundament
Performed is, ne of our Pavement
Is not a Tile ; yet within our wones
By God we owen Fourty pound for stones.

And for their temperance in dyet, the same *Fryer* being asked of the Good-wife to stay and Dine, he tells her what a little would suffice him.

Have I of a Capon only the Liver,
And of your Whitebread but a shiver,
And after that a roasted Pigshead,
For I would not for me no Beast were dead.

And in his Prologue to the *Sompners Tale*, he shews what be-
comes

Of very great Pardons and Indulgences,

comes of *Fryers* at the last, which I shall briefly give you in his own words.

Parde ye have often times heard tell,
How that a *Freere* ravished was to Hell,
In Spirit once by a *Vissyoun*,
And as an Angel led him up and down,
To show him the pains that there were,
In all the place saw he not a *Freere*,
Of all other Folk he saw enough in wo;
Unto the Angel spake the *Freere* tho,
Now Sir quoth he, I ran *Freeres* such a grace,
That none of them shall come in this place,
Yes quoth the Angel, many a *Millioun*,
And unto *Sathanas* led he him down,
And now hath *Sathanas* such a Tail
Broader than of a *Caryke* is the *Sail*,
Hold up thy Tail thou *Sathanas* (quoth he)
Show forth thine erse, let the *Freere* see,
Where is the Nest of *Freeres* in this place,
And ere that half a Furlong way of space,
(Right as *Bees* Swarmen out of an hyve)
Out of the Devils erse they gan drive,
Twenty thousand *Freers* on a Rout,
And throughout Hell swarmed all about,
And comen ayen as fast as they were gone,
And unto his erse they crepten every one.

Of very great Pardons and Indulgences, granted by his Triple Holiness for visiting certain Popish Relicks and Trumperies.

AT St. *Peters* Church in *Rome*, above the door, is an image of our Lord, and between his feet standeth one of the Pence that Christ was sold for, which *Judas* when he hanged himself bequeathed to the Pope for a token: whosoever looketh on that penny hath 1400 years of Pardon; and yet *Judas* looked on it and handled it too, and found no such matter.

At an Altar in the said Church, is the place where St. *Leo* received Absolution in his Maie, and so went bolt upright into heaven; and never called in at *Purgatory* by the way: to go to that place

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place you receive 700 years of Pardon; and who would then be such a Loggerhead to loose so great a benefit for so little labour.

In the same Church also is the Spear that Christ was pierced with, being sent by the *Great-Turk* from *Constantinople* to Pope *Innocent* the 8th, and that this is the very same Spear, you have not only the Popes own word, but the *Great-Turk* is his Voucher; who then can doubt of the truth thereof when it is attested by two such Witnesses?

Upon our *Lady-Day* in *Lent* is hanged before the Quire of the said Church, a Cloth that our Lady made her self, where it hangeth till the day of her Assumption, now as many times as a man beholdeth it, he hath 400 years of Pardon. Therefore since the Pope affords you such dog-cheap rates, and *Robin-Hoods penny-worths*, could a man be but persuaded of the truth of it, who would leave themselves a Groat to purchase it?

Also before the Quire door stand two Iron Crosses, who so kisseth those Crosses hath 500 years of Pardon, or else two kisses for his labour.

In the Church of *St. Cross*, or *St. Crucis* in *Rome*, there was as many Relicks as I think would fill a Dung-cart; as first, the bond that Christ was led with to his Crucifying; and two Saucers, the one full of Christs Blood, (thou canst not choose, Reader, but believe it, because his unerring Holiness hath said it.) the other is full of our Ladies Milk, of which is shown in several places, as much as the 7 best Cows in *Holland* will give in 7 years; the *Jesuits* say it is as good as the Blood of Christ. There is also the Sponge by which was given our Saviour Vineger and Gall to drink, but how they came by it I suppose they know not: likewise one of the Nails wherewith Jesus was nailed to the Cross, and a part of the Block upon which *John* the Baptist had his head smitten off; but what became of the other part, I suppose neither they nor I do know. There is also two Arms, the one of *St. Peter*, the other of *St. Paul*; but whether they be their Right arms or their Left arms I know not. There is also a great part of one of the Crosses, on which suffered one of the Thieves that was Crucified with Christ; but before thou worship it (Reader) I advise thee to know whether it be the Cross of the good Thief or the bad one. There is likewise the Title which was put upon the head of the Cross, written in *Hebrew*, *Greek* and *Latine*. To the visiting

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of all which Relicks there is by the Pope granted very great Pardon; and do not think, ye zealous Catholicks, but ye shall receive it, for who can imagine that your Holy Father will dodge with his beloved Children?

In the Church of Saint *Mary Mayor*, there ye have the very Cradle that Jesus lay in, (I suppose that in other places they have all the rest of the Virgin *Maries* Household-stuff) there is also a great deal of our Ladies Milk, and a piece of the Holy Cross, but if all the pieces which are shown for it were put together, it would break *Simon of Cyrenias*'s back to bear it; there is also the Relicks of several Saints, of some an Arm, and some a Leg, of some a Nose, and of some an Eye, for the *Papists* mangle the Saints bodies, as pitifully as the Hangman doth the Body of a Traytor at his execution, making one Saint sometimes to have 3 or 4 Arms, and another 5 or 6 Legs; and therefore ye are desired to beware of Counterfeits: For in *Germany* once the bones of a supposed St. were Worshipped, which in conclusion, upon examination proved the bones of a Thief, who was Canonized at the Gallows.

When the Church of St. *John Latteran* was Hallowed by Pope *Silvester*, he gave thereto as many years of Pardon as it rained drops of water that day; the Pope was then in a bountifull humour, for it rained so fast that no man saw a greater rain before; wherefore he was in great doubt (as well he might) whither he had so much power or no; but (as the story lies) there came a voice from Heaven and said, *Silvester*, thou hast power enough to do it. And therefore at any time if a man come to St. *John Latterans* he is quit of all his sins; and if you will now go to Hell, when you may be Saved for such a trifling business, you may walk along, no body will stay ye.

Upon the Tower of this Church standeth a double Cross made of the very self same Sword that *John Baptist* was beheaded with; but whether it were a Backsword or a Rapier we are ignorant of; nay we know not yet but that it might be a Butchers Ax. Now that man which beholderh this Cross, he hath 1400 years of Pardon, therefore they that may have Pardons so cheap at *Rome* are very fools to Trudge to *Jerusalem* for them.

Also there they say is the Grave that St. *John* laid himself in when he said Mass (*but who ever heard St. John say it?*) and then came a great light over the Grave, and when that light was gone, then found they nothing there but Heavenly bread. In that Grave cometh every *Good-Friday* in the night the holy Cream and Oyl; and

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and therefore it is of so great account, that he which putteth therein his head hath a 100000 years of Pardon. No marvel then if *Jesuits* and *Fryers* care not what Murthers or Treasons they commit, since for so small matter they can have so long a Pardon.

The City of *Compostella* in *Spain* is very famous for divers Relicks Pretended to be there, as the body of *St. James* the son of *Zebedee*, which the *Romanists* worship with great devotion. But most of all is it frequented by Barren-women, who there may have help from the *Virgin Mary*. It happened that a poor man desirous to have Children, and for that purpose had travelled to many a *Saints* shrine, and many a weary mile, and all upon the hard Hoof, for 3 whole years together, at last he stumbled in his way at *Compostella*, where he got present remedy; for as soon as he came home, he found that his wife had got three as sweet Babes as ever the Sun shone upon, and as like the Father as an Apple is like an Oyster, or an Owle is like a Glister-pipe; which he good man made much of, because they were the gift of the *Virgin Mary*.

Henry Stephens in his defence of *Herodotus* page 182. tells us, that a merry disposed Priest got a pretty Lass behind the High Altar, upon a *Good-Friday* in the morning; where he thought all the He and She Saints were contented to keep Counsel; but it was known to the Legate of *Avinion* (by the intelligence of no Saint) which Legate after he had wisely considered on what day and time, and in what place the cleanly conveyance was acted, he out of his Charity concluded a Priest to be mortal, and that Flesh was frail, for which respects (upon promise of amendment) he was absolved and released.

Father *Bauny* tells us, That a certain old woman, my old Gammer What-you-call-her, (I suppose she was Grannum to the old woman that was drowned on *Ratcliff High-way*) This woman having lived all her days, and di'd when she had done, in all manner of notorious mortal sins; yet was saved at last, meerly by saluting the Image of the *Virgin Mary* every day. But what He or She *St.* it was that revealed this to Father *Bauny*, he as well as we are ignorant thereof.

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Since Pope *Urban* the 1st. who turned the wooden Chalice into Gold and Silver ones; which gave occasion to one *Boniface* Bishop of *Mayence* to say, *We have made a blessed Change! The Church had formerly wooden Chalices, and golden Priests, and we have now got wooden Priests, and golden Chalices* 1457

Since Pope *Innocent* the *Scot* set up extream Unction. He ordained, that He and his *See* should not be judged by any King; no nor all the Clergy. *It was pretty fair for a young beginner* 1278

Since Pope *Hilarius*, who decreed, that no Minister should marry any other woman but a maid. By which it appeareth that Ministers might then marry 1219

Since *Gregory* the Great, who having made a Decree against Priests marriages, cancelled the same, upon the finding of 6000 Infants skulls in a Fish-pond. He is said to be the last of the good, and first of the bad Popes 1090

Since *Sabinianus* his successour, who ordered Candles to be set up lighted in the day, that men might not loose their way to Heaven in a mist of *Popish* darkness 1076

Since Pope *Boniface V.* who ordained, *That all Rogues, Thieves, or Murderers that could but escape to a Church, should there be protected from the Sword of Justice*; which gave occasion to the old Proverb. *The nearer the Church the further from God* 1061

Since Pope *Martin* the first, who commanded Priests to shave their Polls, which made one to say, *They were very tall men, having not a hair betwixt them and Heaven* 1031

Since Pope *Agatho*, of whom it is said, *That none ever came to him heavy, but he sent him away light-hearted*. But now it may be said, *None ever came to the Pope heavy, but he sends them away light pursed* 1011

Since Pope *Donus* the first, in whose time King *Dagoberts* soul of *France*, being at the Brim of *Lippary*, to be thrown in by the Devil, was manfully rescued by St. *Denis*, St. *Martin*, and St. *Maurice*, whom in his life time he had honoured: *Thou canst not, O Reader, choose but believe it* 1001

Since *Leo II.* who was an excellent Musician *alias* a Fidler 988

Since *Conon* and *Theodore* usurped the Papal Chair, who both were

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were Cashiered for a couple of Knaves, to make way for a Fool
Sergius the first 991

Since Pope *Joane* was delivered of a Bastard as she went in Pro-
 cession, which she murdered, though great pity it were, that the
 Church of *Rome* might thereby have had a pig of her own
 Sow 825

Since Pope *Christopher* the First, who for his Pride and Cruelties
 was called Pope *Lucifer* 773

Since *Benedict* VIII. was seen after his death, riding upon a
 Black Horse. (by his marks the Hue and Cry will take him for
 the Devil) He told a Bishop to whom he appeared, that he was
 in grievous torments : I suppose you have read of Antichrist riding
 the Beast, and now you hear of his riding the Devil 668

Since *Benedict* the IX a great Conjurer. After his death an
 Hermite is said to have seen him by a Mill, having the body of a
 Bear, and head and tail of an Ass 646

Since *Victor* III was poisoned by his Sub-Deacon in a Chalice,
Judge you here the Religion of the Romanists 594

Since *Calixtus* II who made Decrees against Priests Marriages,
 whereupon *Simon of Durham* made these verses

The Clergy now the good *Calixtus* hate,
 For heretofore each one might have his Mate;
 But since thou gotten hast the *Papal* Throne
 They must keep Punks, or learn to lig alone. 561

Since *Celestine* II who was the Inventer of that mad manner of
 Curling by Bell, Book and Candle, 537

Since *Innocent* IV The great Patron of the 4 Orders of beg-
 ging *Locusts, Dominicans, Carmelites, and Augustines*; who hatched
 under him those addle Eggs of *Summaries, Sophismes, Repertories,*
Reductories, Quodlibets, Exorcisms, Breviaries, Rituals, and the
 like. He Decreed, that *Cardinals* should ride on Horse-back, and
 wear Red Hats; To signifie (saith my Author) that they ought
 to spend their blood in the defence of the Church; or rather, To
 denote how much blood they should shed. He quarrelled with our
Robert Grosstead Bishop of *Lincoln*, who withstood him stoutly,
 and contemned his Excommunication; and after his death (is said)
 to have minded the Pope by a thump on his side with his *Crossiers*
Staff; and this Item, *Veni miser in judicium Dei*, come wretch
 to Gods judgment, and so eased the world of this Tyrant. This
 is that *Innocent* who insulted over *Henry* 3. of *England*, saying,

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Is not the King of England our Slave! Nay, is he not our Vassal? 437

Since *Gregory X* at whose Election the Cardinals were together by the ears above 2 years; so that one of them cryed out, *Let us recover the House; for the infallible Spirit cannot get amongst us for the Tyles.* Upon this *Gregory* being raised to this Dignity from an Arch-deacon, were made these verses.

An Arch-Deacon the *Papal* Incomes gathers,
Whom Bretherens discord Father made of Fathers. 409

Since *Boniface VIII.* of whom it is said, that he entred like a Fox, Reigned like a *Lion*, and died like a *Dog* 386

Since *Benedict II.* one of the best Popes that had the Title of Universal Bishop; for he being but a Shepherds son, would not acknowledge his poor Mother when she came to him Lady-like, but caused her to put on her Sheperdes apparel; but being too good for such a place, he was sent to his last home by a poysoned Fig. He dyed *Anno 1303.* 377

Since *Benedict XII.* of whom was made this Rime for his Epitaph.

Laicks Bane, Clerks Viper, here lies *Nero's* Trunk,
Fardle of Lies, a But of Wine, stark drunk 346

Since *Alexander V* who confirmed *St. Francis* five wounds to be accounted an Article of Faith; he was used to say, *That he was a rich Bishop, a poor Cardinal, and a Begarly Pope* 270

Since *Calixtus III* one it should seems of no great reach, of whom a Cardinal said at his Election

Quam fatue, fatui, fatuum creavere Calixtum.

How foolishly were those Electers mixt,
That have been fool'd to choose the Fool *Calixt* 225

Since *Leo X* who sent his Indulgences into *Germany*, where they were staked at Dice by the Pardon-sellers, at who throws most at three throws, as our Orangemen in *England* do for Oranges 161

Since *Ignatius Loyola*, the first Father of the *Jesuits*, whose Motto was, *Cavete vobis Principes, Princes look to your selves;* a good warning for Princes to think upon, for fear of After-claps 144

Since *Pius V* who would after say, *When he was a Bishop, he was pretty sure of his Salvation; when he was a Cardinal, he began to doubt of it; but when he was a Pope, he utterly despaired of it* 114

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Since Pope *Sextus V.* who wiped the *Jesuits* of a great *Mane* money, so that they forged, that the Devil carried him away in the habit of a Coachman, 2 years before he should have died by compact. But the Pope had bestowed those two years of his own age to make a youth (otherwise under age) ripe for the Gallows. Whereupon *Bellarmino* being questioned what he thought of this Popes ending, sagely gave his censure, *Quantum sapio, quantum capio, quantum intelligo, Dominus noster Papa descendit ad infernum.* As far as I can perceive or understand, in plain terms our Lord the Pope is gone to Hell

Since the bloody design of the *Papists* to blow up the Parliament-House by Gun-powder, by the instigation of *Garnet* the *Jesuit* in the time of *Paul* the 5th

Since the Massacre of *Ireland* by the bloody *Papists*, wherein about 300000 Protestants were murdered

Since Pope *Innocent X* who kept his brothers wife *Donna Olympia* for his Concubine, who bore great sway with him in the Affairs of the world

Since the bloody Plot of destroying *London* by Fire, which design was carried on by the *Jesuits*, as hath been since clearly manifested

Since the late Hellish Plot of the *Jesuits* against our King and Government, for which several have been executed, and more are in Custody

I shall conclude my Book with a merry Story, which I suppose will please the Papists more than any thing that hath been related before.

A Country-woman before a Justice was to take her Oath against a Party; the said Party entreated the Justice that her Oath might not be taken; the Justice demanded why he excepted against her; may it please your Worship (quoth he) she is a Recusant or Roman Catholic, and they hold it no matter of Conscience to swear any thing against us. Come hither woman, said the Justice, I do not think thou art a Recusant, I am perswaded that for four Shillings thou wilt swear the Pope is a Knave: Good your Worship, said she, the Pope is a stranger to me, but if I knew him as well as I know your Worship, I would swear for half the money.

FINIS.